National Commission for Scheduled Castes' report on atrocities on dalits

† 524. SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA: DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact the National Commission for Scheduled Castes has submitted its report on the atrocities committees against dalits in the country during the year 2004-05;
 - (b) if so, the date on which this report has been received;
- (c) the States, where highest and lowest number of such incidents had been reported as per this report; and
- (d) the percentage of culprits who have been awarded punishment in those State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) and (b) The National Commission for Scheduled Castes has submitted its 1st Annual Report for the year 2004-2005 on 13.07.2006, wherein one chapter is devoted to protection of Civil Rights and atrocities on Scheduled Castes.

(c) and (d) The data given in the Report does not pertain to 2004-05.

Welfare and maintenance of senior citizens

525. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether with the proposed Senior Citizen (Welfareand Maintenance) Bill, 2006, when enacted into law, Government are preparing to wash its

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hands of senior citizens care, as sons and daughters are being made accountable for taking care of their parents;

- (b) if so, how Government will ensure that senior citizens get quick justice, as the pendency of civil and criminal cases in the country is really in an alarming state; and
- (c) whether Government will set up Special Courts to decide such cases involving senior citizens, as they generally do not have extra funds to engage lawyers and attend the court hearing?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (c) The proposed Bill will address the issues concerning older persons including lack of support, provision of food and shelter, protection of life and property as also speedy justice.

Infrastructure for training of persons with disability

526. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: SHRI HARISH RAWAT:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the infrastructure available in the country for training the people with different kinds of disability;
- (b) whether five such proposed composite regional centers have been established; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) Seven National Institutes and about 200 Institutions, recogized by the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) provide training to the persons with different kind of disabilities and also to their trainers. The required infrastructure is available with these Institutions.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Five Composite Regional Centres (CRCs) have been established one each at Sundernagar (Himachal Pradesh), Bhopal